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CUSTOMER NO. 20995

Applicant : Andrew H. Cragg
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 For : METHODS OF PERFORMING
 PROCEDURES IN THE SPINE
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performing a procedure using the lumen.

2. (Withdrawn): A method of treating the spine as in Claim 1, wherein the procedure is a diagnostic procedure.

3. (Withdrawn): A method of treating the spine as in Claim 1, wherein the procedure is a therapeutic procedure.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Original): A method of treating the spine as in Claim 1, wherein the forming step comprises drilling.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Withdrawn): A method of treating the spine as in Claim 3, wherein the procedure comprises inserting a fixation device.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Original): A method of treating the spine, comprising the steps of:

identifying a site on the posterior surface of the sacrum;

forming a nonlinear lumen from the site through the sacrum, through a disk and through at least one lumbar vertebrae; and

performing a procedure using the lumen.

12. (Withdrawn): A method of treating the spine as in Claim 11, wherein the procedure is a diagnostic procedure.

13. (Withdrawn): A method of treating the spine as in Claim 11, wherein the procedure is a therapeutic procedure.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Original): A method of treating the spine as in Claim 11, wherein the forming step comprises drilling.

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